

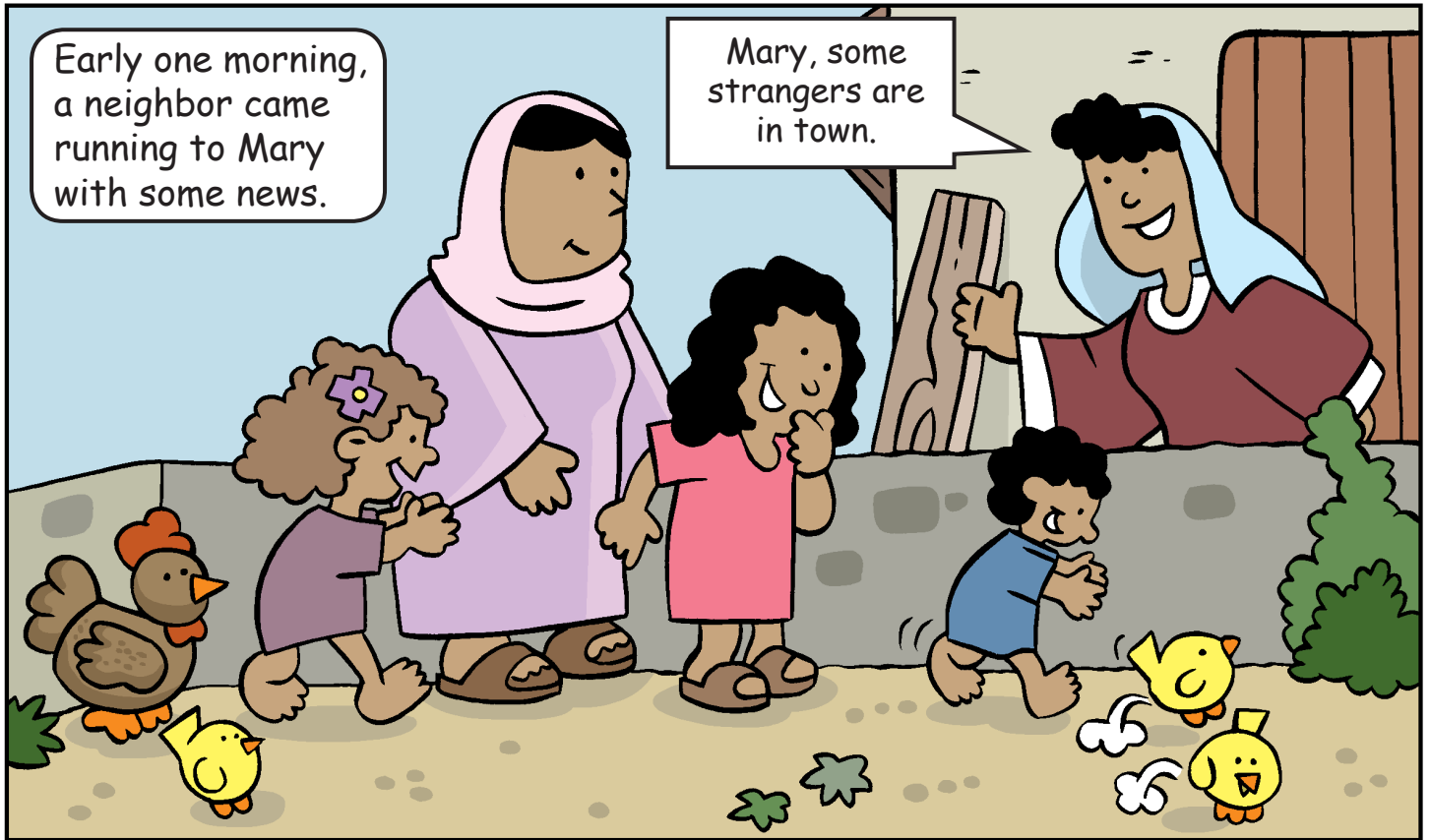
# A Man Named Jesus

## Chapter 5: The Visit of the Magi

Based on Matthew 2.



Jesus will soon be two years old. He's no longer my little baby!





We have come on a long journey, from far away in the East. We are scholars and astronomers.

While the magi studied the sky, they saw a new star appear.

They recognized this as a sign from God that a great king had been born.



Let us go to Jerusalem and find this king!

After traveling for a month, they reached Jerusalem and inquired where the new king had been born.

We have come to worship the new king who was born to be the king of the Jews. Where can we find him?



No king has been born here!

At the time when Jesus was born in Bethlehem, Judea was governed by King Herod the Great.





When King Herod learned of the magi's visit, he called his counsellors.

What king are they talking about?

Do your sacred Scriptures say anything about a baby who will become king of the Jews?



"And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel."<sup>1</sup>

Call the magi at once!

<sup>1</sup> Matthew 2:6 ESV

You must look for this child in Bethlehem. Once you find him, let me know where he is so that I can also go to worship him.



When I find that child, I'll kill him! No one but me will be the king of the Jews!





Following Herod's instructions, the magi set out for Bethlehem, with the star once again guiding them.

Look, Bethlehem!



The star has stopped over this house! Our journey is finished.



God has led us to the royal child.



We must now retire to our camp. We'll leave early in the morning to tell King Herod of the good news.



But in the morning as they were preparing to depart...

I had a dream in which God warned us not to return to Jerusalem. Herod is jealous and wants to kill the child!

We'll go home by another route.





When King Herod learned of the magi's secret departure, he was furious and ordered all the baby boys in Bethlehem to be killed!



It was similar to what another king, long before, had done to the Hebrews who were slaves in Egypt.<sup>2</sup>

No one will take my place as the king of the Jews!

<sup>2</sup> See Exodus 1:8–22.



But an angel had appeared to Joseph.

Get up and flee with the boy and his mother to Egypt. Stay there until I say it's time to go.



Mary, we must leave right away! An angel has warned me in a dream.

Now? In the middle of the night?



But what about our house and belongings?

The angel said that Herod wants to kill Jesus!

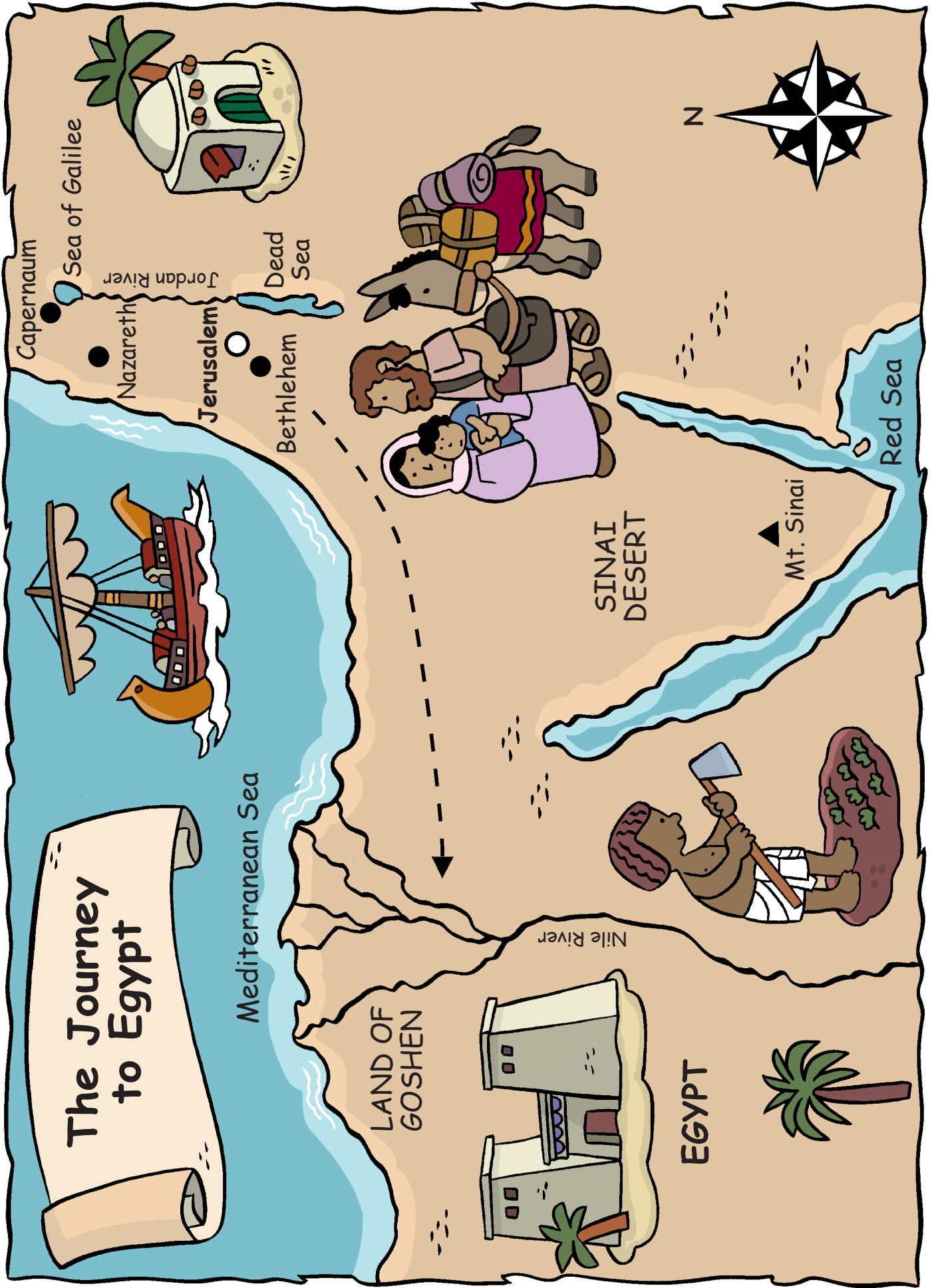


Where are we going?

To Egypt!



# The Journey to Egypt



Capernaum

Sea of Galilee

Nazareth

Jerusalem

Bethlehem

Dead Sea

Jordan River

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DESERT

Mt. Sinai

Red Sea

Nile River

LAND OF  
GOSHEN

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